

**STATE OF MISSOURI
ECONOMIC DATA**

Privately Owned Housing Units Authorized by Building Permits

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Number of Units</u> | <u>Valuation (In Thousands)</u> |
|-------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 2004 | 32,791 | \$ 4,286,161 |
| 2003 | 29,309 | 3,596,524 |
| 2002 | 28,255 | 3,186,632 |
| 2001 | 24,739 | 2,750,047 |
| 2000 | 24,321 | 2,569,405 |
| 1999 | 26,840 | 2,739,418 |
| 1998 | 25,657 | 2,424,875 |
| 1997 | 25,156 | 2,265,005 |
| 1996 | 26,298 | 2,275,667 |
| 1995 | 24,282 | 2,032,503 |

Data Source: U.S. Department of Commerce – Bureau of the Census.

Major Private Employers

The State's major private employers and the approximate number employed by each in 2004 were as follows:

| <u>Employer</u> | <u>Number Employed</u> |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Wal-Mart Associates, Inc. | 25,000 + |
| 2. Washington University | 10,000 – 25,000 |
| 3. Boeing Corporation | 10,000 – 25,000 |
| 4. Schnuck Markets, Inc. | 7,500 – 10,000 |
| 5. Barnes-Jewish Hospital | 7,500 – 10,000 |
| 6. Ford Motor Company | 7,500 – 10,000 |
| 7. May Department Stores | 7,500 – 10,000 |
| 8. Lester E Cox Medical | 5,000 – 7,500 |
| 9. Daimler Chrysler | 5,000 – 7,500 |
| 10. St. John's Regional Health Center | 5,000 – 7,500 |
| 11. St. John's Mercy Health | 5,000 – 7,500 |
| 12. Southwestern Bell | 5,000 – 7,500 |
| 13. St. Louis University | 5,000 – 7,500 |
| 14. United Parcel Service, Inc. | 5,000 – 7,500 |
| 15. Walgreen Co. Illinois | 5,000 – 7,500 |

Data Source: Missouri Department of Economic Development.